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It's A Tradition

Each year, the Thanksgiving program, which is scheduled for today at Chapel period, gives Peace students the opportunity to share their thanks.

Class Officers Elected

Dorothy Pressly Jr. Class President

Dorothy Pressly has been elected president of the class of 1956. Dorothy, a non-resident student, is a Raleigh girl who has known Peace all her life because her father is president of the college.

Dorothy graduated from Needham Broughton High School last year after four active school years. Among other things, she served as secretary of her senior class and was active in the high school chorus.

A member of the Raleigh First Presbyterian Church, Dorothy is a member of the Presbytery's Senior Hi Council.

Since Dorothy has come to Peace this year, she has joined the choir, the Sigs, and the Papyrus Club. She has recently been chosen as a member of the International Relations Club.

Though Dorothy plans eventually to become a Presbyterian Director of Christian Education, she has not decided what to

SENIOR CLASS OFFICERS

Mary Owen Armistead, Rita Myers, and Margaret Thomas are the newly elected Senior Class officers who will serve with Norma Williamson, class president elected last spring.

Miss Frances Suter, registrar, who served as adviser to the Class of 1954 last year, has been chosen as class adviser.

Mary Owen, who was elected class vice-president, is also president of the newly organized Home Economics Club. She is a Sig.

Rita, the '55 secretary, is president of the business honor society, Alpha Pi Epsilon. She is a Rho marshall.

Margaret, treasurer of the senior class, is editor of the *Peace Times* and associate editor of the *Lotus*.

choose as a major field of study or where to go for her junior and senior years, although she is seriously considering Duke.

Thanksgiving Program

Today at 12:25 the Peace College Christian Association will present the annual Thanksgiving program. This program is the culmination of a week of sharing on the part of the girls. The climax will be the giving of baskets to the domestic staff.

Sylvia White will open the program with a solo. Nancy Rhoads, president of the P.S.C.A. will have the devotion. Dr. Pressly will offer the college's Thanksgiving prayer.

Lucy Blue is in charge of over-all arrangements for the program. Working with her are Mary Morgan, decorations; Margaret Boylan, purchase; Sylvia Holmes, program illustrations; and Mrs. Booth and the commercial department, printing.

Junior Officers

Margaret Dougherty of Rocky Mount has been chosen to serve as Junior Class representative on the Student Council. From Rocky Mount, Margaret has recently been elected a member of the International Relations Club.

The Junior Class has elected Miss Charlotte Howe as the class adviser.

The other officers of the class are Christine Eisenhower, vice-president; Peggy Kelly, secretary; and Martha Hudson, treasurer.

Prep IV

Shirley Bateman has been elected president of the Prep IV's. Shirley is also treasurer of the Pi's.

Other officers chosen by the class are Rose Bracy, vice-president; Sharon Williams, secretary; and Sandra Stevens, treasurer.

Prep III

The Prep III's have elected Charlotte Frist president of their class! Lou Ellen Wells and Betsy Wilder are to serve with her as secretary and treasurer respectively.

There are only 30 more days 'til Christmas; only 16 school days.

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EDITORIAL

Little does one think as she rises almost instantly when an instructor enters the classroom that she is following a custom of respect set up a hundred years ago. She only remembers that one day when everyone else rose as if at a signal and she remained in her seat. After class, an old student took her aside and told her about this Peace tradition. So much for the past. By November every student knows when to rise. But the really important thing is not that one remembers to stand at the right time; it is the attitude of respect which is symbolized by that act of courtesy.

We hear much about respect these days - self respect, respecting the property of others, respect for high office, etc. - but so often the word is so limited that it refers only to a small portion of our lives and only to certain times. Sometimes we almost get the impression that to respect someone else too much means that we don't think very much of ourselves.

Actually the amount of self-respect we have is judged by the amount of respect which we have for others; but from the positive viewpoint, the amount of respect we give to others is in the same ratio as the amount we have for ourselves.

Respecting another means much to our lives as students; we show respect for our instructors in one way and for our friends in another, but the fundamental attitude makes us better and happier girls. We have a yardstick for actions. True, it is not the same yardstick for all occasions. A girl shows respect to an instructor in the classroom by her attentive silence; a roommate treated to the same behavior would soon begin worrying about the girl's sanity. The one common measure is courtesy; or, to borrow from yesteryear, "it costs no more to be polite." Many people would remark that it costs less to be polite because courtesy has a way of paying its own fare.

No one, not even Miss Emily Post, can set down rules for the polite behavior in all situations which we might encounter. She did say that etiquette is the art of



*Hey, Jane, you forgot to sign out
for Thanksgiving*

Choir

Everyone will agree that the choir has been one of the busiest organizations at Peace this month.

The dedication of the beautiful new choir robes was held in chapel on October 20. It was a very impressive service, one which will remain in the heart of every Peace girl for a long time.

On October 31 the choir joined the united choirs of the churches of Raleigh to sing for the Reformation Service at the Memorial Auditorium. The group of choirs led by Dr. Ronald Bainton, Church Historian of Yale University.

The most recent program in which the choir participated was the meeting of the Women of the Church of the Granville Presbyterian at the First Presbyterian Church on November 2.

Plans are now being made for writing a constitution for the choir so that the choir will be an official school organization -- a real part of Peace.

making others comfortable. So we go from the stiff word, "respect", which actually frightens some of us, to "courtesy", and finally to "comfortable" in a natural sequence of thought. So we show our respect by making others comfortable - - in the true sense of the word.

In class tomorrow, rise and shine; in an unhappy situation, smile and shine just as brightly.

Thanksgiving For

Christ

"Let never day nor night unhallow'd pass,
But still remember what the Lord hath
done."

Shakespeare (Henry V)

As the season of Thanksgiving draws near we begin thinking of all the blessings we have: clothes, food, cars, freedom, and all material things. Often we are so busy thanking God for these tangible blessings that we forget his most precious and sacrificial gift, Jesus Christ. Christ is the center of our lives and if we would just remember to look to Him for guidance and faith we would have many more valuable blessings than material gifts for which to be thankful. If we thank God as Christ did, much of Thanksgiving would be, not for our own good fortune, but for the good fortune of others, for strong, fine character because Christ was pleased with the values He saw in individuals. All through the story of Christ's life, we see Him looking into the human hearts around him and rejoicing in whatever things he saw worthy of praise. We should be especially thankful for Christ because he came into the world bringing light, love, peace and joy, and in His coming we are able to have the many blessings we cherish and are thankful for at Thanksgiving.

Here and There

Another month, another school paper; and during this time Peace girls have been as busy and as popular as ever.

At the State IDC Ball, Saturday, November 7th, Peace was very well represented. Those attending were Mary Leggett, Jo Britton, Ernie Clodfelter, Jane Bass, Betsy Holt, Lou Respass, Buzzy Watkins, Millie Stevens, Jean Crawford, Mary Lou Harnesberger, Elizabeth Griffin, Chris Eisenhower, Mary Ann Swanson and Betty Jo Wilson.

Polly Cameron spent an exciting evening at Duke, November 12th-the Shoe and Slipper.

And at Yale, no less, a charming Peace girl, Ruth Sidon, enjoyed a most delightful week.

At the Carolina Homecoming the Trio from Peace -- Ruth Sidon, Betsy Newsome and Carolyn Hackney, accompanied by Barbara Bell -- sang several songs which were well received by the audience. Becky Lee was also featured on the program doing the skit which had helped her win in August the title of First Runner Up in the Miss North Carolina contest. We hear the boys went wild.

Jean Brown, Joan Brown and Jane Bass were among the girls who attended the State Homecoming.

On the night of November 20th, Peace girls took time out from attending dances elsewhere and had a big formal of their own.

We all want to congratulate Mary Vann McLaughlin, our new Peace bride, and wish every happiness to the newly-weds.

It seems that everywhere you look these days you can see Marilyn Chester with her camera. She doesn't miss a thing.

Thanksgiving Holidays are here at last and everyone is about to leave for a glorious five days of fun and relaxation.

Times flying so I'd better run and get packed so I won't get left behind.

Have fun!

ANNUAL STAFF

The annual staff, under the direction of Joy Earp, editor, has completed the taking of pictures for the 1955 Lotus.

Definite plans for the annual have been made; the original dummy has been completed; and the company has sent the college its working dummy.

Odds and Ends

"Where is Liechtenstein? Oh! Here it is, right next to Switzerland. See that little pink dot."

"Oh, goodness, the name is bigger than

the country."

The preceding comments are only a few of the buzzing questions which began when the history students were handed mimeographed lists of the countries of three continents. The library atlases were well worn by the time the girls started the march out to the cottage and to the unlabeled maps.

While history students were poring over Europe and Asia, Biology students were figuring out the age of a fallen tree on the front campus. After the girls had finished counting the rings of the tree trunk, they began to collect leaves. One young expert made the statement that at least two weeks should be allowed for the leaves to dry properly. However, biology students are still searching all over town for native trees.

An outstanding scientific achievement has been made at Peace by Miss Peggy Mowery. When she enters biology on Friday afternoons and peers through her microscope, objects never seen by the eye of man appear. Though Miss Holt has made no official statement as yet, Peggy's achievement has attracted a great deal of attention.

The last of October, English B students began an almost steady march to the bookstore for index cards. Miss McDaniel probably began having nightmares in which thousands of Shakespeares and Spensers were chasing her around the card catalogs. After much hustle, bustle, and some complaint, the girls settled down to reading and scribbling on the 3" x 5" cards. When juniors asked what they were doing, the girls grinned evilly and replied, "You'll find out spring quarter." At last T. P. Day came; the girls handed in more or less complete term papers as if they were handing over the Hope Diamond. One class gathered tremendous fortitude and asked whether "we are going to write any more term papers this year." Their eternally springing hope is that that privilege will not be granted senior girls again.

While most of the Shorthand C students are running themselves ragged trying to pass 80 words per minute (that means taking shorthand at eighty words per minute for five minutes and transcribing it perfectly, in case you might not know), Becky Lee and Annie Jo Mustian have already passed their 100 w.p.m. Those two will keep calm while the others dig away.

"It's all in your mind" was the reply to any complaint issued around a psychology student for the past three weeks. When Dr. Winston began to discuss neuroses, the girls looked knowingly at each other. Soon he had to reassure his students that they probably had nothing seriously wrong with them. Nevertheless, the girls still grin brightly and knowingly at each other from

Pi Theta Mu Party

Tension! Frustration! History test! Every kind of test! Then a defense reaction -- a running away. A Pi Party.

Oh, how refreshing and delightful -- a pine paneled cabin in a big dark woods with many trees instead of books! There was a pond in front which reflected in orange-yellow blotches of the glow from the cabin windows. What would one imagine was in this cabin with a little of its warmth seeping out under its door and much sweet woodsy smoke bursting from its chimney? Would one imagine twenty sleepy, but intellectual college girls sitting before the hearth watching the glow of the live coals with their minds on the philosophy of Plato? Was a symphony playing on the record player to enhance their powers of concentration?

Horror no! Gone music was bursting through the floor boards and rushing up the chimney along with the smoke. Real gone bop was relieving reading-writing-algebra pains. Forty legs of twenty little sprites began to dance to the rhythm. Two of the learned sprites, Sue Sorrel and Faye Brown, taught all the gay, tiny creatures how to jitterbug. Out in the woods they were no longer specimen A B C and G of the psychology lab; they laughed and bunny-hopped, not even knowing why. When strength gave out, to the kitchen they flew. There a huge pot of coffee made in a special way by Florence Moore sat steaming on the Stove. (She added salt to it, and it was delicious.) The animated spirits had potato chips and hot dogs too. Oh! they were well fed! But could they do the Charleston? Just a few accomplished kickers and wigglers.

Pi Theta Mu, what a defense reaction. What a running away on a week day night. What a delicious, good loud, boistrous, screaming time! What a very lovely party.

The Editors Dilemma

Getting out a publication is fun, but it's no picnic.

If we print jokes, people say we are silly. If we don't they say we are too serious. If we clip things from other magazines, we are too lazy to write them ourselves. If we don't we are too fond of our own stuff. If we don't print contributions, we don't appreciate true genius.

If we do print them, the page is filled with junk.

Now, very likely, someone will say we swiped this from some other magazine -- We did.

- - Author Unknown

time to time. One can never be too careful of her chance remarks around one of these girls.

Papyrus Club

A warm glow of well-being spreads over the heart when one is successful. Such a glow should soon cover the heart of the Papyrus Club, for this year the Club has great potentiality. It is one of the largest organized groups in the school. Not only is there a great number of members; there exists also a certain quality of love of fine literature and writing which unifies its feeling and purpose.

At the first meeting in October, the Papyrus Club experienced the Civil War through the median of a recording of intimate narrative of the Civil War, **John Brown's Body** by Stephen Vincent Benet. The voices of Raymond Massey, Judith Anderson, and Tyrone Power brought to life Abraham Lincoln; a troubled Southern belle, Sally Dupree; a proud Southern aristocrat, Mary Lou Wingate; a young Connecticut intellect, Jack Ellyat; a dashing Southern romanticist, Clay Wingate; and John Brown. The chorus gave the girl's living room the air it probably had when used as a hospital during the Civil War. The exact and beautiful imagery of the poem seemed to affect everyone.

At the second meeting in November, the purpose was to bring back into existence the howling winds of the hurricane through the median of themes which have been so very well written by Peace English students. Peggy Patterson was the hostess for this meeting.

The Club recently elected Becky Buie, secretary, and Nancy Harper, treasurer. Nancy reports that everyone seems to be promptly paying her dues. The future appears bright for the Papyrus Club!

Around the World with the International Relations Club

The International Relations Club has elected Betsy Newsome as president for 1954-1955. Polly Wickerson has been chosen vice-president.

Eleven girls interested in world affairs were elected to complete the club's membership of twenty-five girls at the first meeting of the year.

The first evening meeting of the I.R.C. was held November 11. Polly Wickerson and Miss Elizabeth Caldwell conducted a program on world events.

On November 10, a guest speaker representing the World University Service spoke to the college on the work of W.U.S.

School Dance

The Peace College Student Body Dance was held November 20 at the Raleigh Woman's Club. The formal dance was sponsored by the Student Council.

Receiving guests at the door were Jean Crawford, president of the student body; Anne Smith, treasurer of the student body; Ruth Sidon, secretary of the student body; Dr. and Mrs. Pressly; Mr. David Warner; and Miss Margaret Sprunt Hall.

Approximately two hundred couples danced to the music of Harold Langdon and his five piece band.

The council members and their escorts were presented to the group as sponsors of the dance. They formed a figure and danced.

Miss Jane Holt

The science department has a new look! Not only has the college been graced with a new lecture room, but also with a new lecturer!

Miss Jane Holt has joined forces with the faculty and thereby doubled the number of Mississippi natives on its roster.

Miss Holt attended prep school and received her B S in biology from Montreat College, a Presbyterian girl's school in the North Carolina mountains. After finishing there, she went south to Emory University in Atlanta, Georgia. There she found quite a change between the small girl's school which she had left and the cosmopolitan men's university where she planned to study. Fortunately, the graduate school was co-ed; but even then there were only five girls in the biology department. If any girl were to take a normally undergraduate course, she would be the only girl in the class because the only feminine undergraduate students were in pre-med. Miss Holt finished work on her M. S. last August just before time to start her work at Peace.

This young instructor came to Peace primarily because it is a church affiliated school.

Miss Holt claims sports and photography as her chief interests. She has been seen in the alto section of the choir at the First Presbyterian Church. She refuses to claim any dislikes.

Education

A young woman just home from college was very enthusiastic about the wonderful benefits of physical culture. She said to her father:

Honor System

The Peace College Student Council has expressed its hopes of putting one phase of the honor system into operation during first quarter exams. The proposal is to emphasize the significance of the pledge which students sign after an exam. The signing of the pledge would indicate that the student has honorably conducted herself during the exam.

Although this phase is one concrete evidence of the honor system which the council plans to put into effect this year, there has been a movement to reformulate the student concept of an honor system.

The council plans to prepare a code which, at the end of the year, it might submit with the recommendation that the code be made part of the regulation application blank.

A student-faculty committee under the direction of Dr. Winston, which has begun its work to put into effect the first phase of the honor code, will, after exams, expand the code to cover the entire sphere of student life and activity.

Pi's Have Social

On November 11, the Pi Theta Mu Society held a get-together at Sorrell cabin on 15-A. The girls gathered around the bonfire at 5:30 and were soon roasting hot dogs and marshmallows.

Seleta Stevens, society president, was in charge of party plans; Sue Sorrell and Becky Surles were in charge of time and place; Joan Crosby, Marilyn Murdock, and Barbara Clark were in charge of entertainment; Florence Moore was in charge of food.

Approximately fifteen girls attended the party.

NON-RESIDENT STUDENTS

The non-resident students recently elected Jewell Buffaloe, senior as their representative to the P.S.C.A. At the same meeting, the problem of neatness in the recreation room was discussed. Books are definitely not to be left in the rec room over the weekend.

"Just watch this exercise. To develop the arms, I grasp the rod by one end and move it slowly from right to left."

"Well, well!" exclaimed her father. "What won't science discover next! If that rod had straw at the other end, you'd be sweeping."